Ranchi station of AIR is low and does not cover the area;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to set up a station of All Indin Radio and Doordarshan centre there; and

(c) if so, by when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS) (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Two local Radio Station, one each at Hazaribagh and Daltonganj are proposed to be set up. The Station at Hazaribagh is technically ready for commissioning. The Station is envisaged to be commissioned when the staff required for operation and maintenance of the Station is actually in position. The radio station at Daltonganj is at an advanced stage of completion and is envisaged to be technically ready by march, 1992.

As regards Doordarshan, a low power TV transmitter is envisaged to be set-up at Hazaribagh and is expected to be commissioned into service during 1992-93.

Political Settlement of Kashmir Issue

1811. SHRI SHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL:
SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the response from various militant outfits in Kashmir to his offer made during his recent visit to the Velley to come forward and talk to the Government for a political settlement within the framework of the Constitution has not been encouraging; and

(b) if so, further steps contemplated to provide for a political settlement of the Kashmir issue in the light of the poor response from the militants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTRAY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). Major terrorist outfits have not responded positively to the call for talks to solve the turmoil in the State.

The situation is proposed to be tackled by adopting most stringent measures against terrorism and infiltration from across the border, creation of a strong opinion against Pakistan's support to international terrorism and to take care of the genuine grievances of the people and seek their co-operation in tackling the terrorist violence.

In this context, a meeting of the leaders of the politicai parties and prominent poiiticai personalities of the Jammu and Kashmir State was held on 31-11-91.

Public Sector Undertakinga in Chandigarh

1812. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Public Sector Undertakings being run at Chandigarh by the U.T. Administration, including the activities undertaken; and

(b) the profit and loss made by each of them during the each of last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTRAY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). Information is contained in the enclosed statement.